

## St. Clare's Ministries

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High Plains Region Executive Committee Attn. The Rev. Brian Winter, Regional Missioner

Report regarding 2022 Grant to St. Clare's Ministries:

The homeless population in metro Denver is growing. St. Clare's Ministries serves the men and women that are homeless in the Baker neighborhood of Denver. St. Clare's Ministries continued to serve our hot meals and handing out clothing every Tuesday evening outside the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Mary for the first three months of 2022 due to Covid-19. We did not miss a Tuesday evening meal during Covid-19's two-year run. We moved our operations back inside the church hall in April and have been there ever since. St. Clare's is using open windows, air purifiers and fans to circular the air in the parish hall and basement to allow the ministry to operate indoors. St. Clare's Ministries would like to thank the High Plains Region for the \$8,000 grant for 2022 that has allowed St. Clare's Ministries to operate at a planned deficit as of the time of this reporting. We have received nine of our twelve monthly grant payments to date. Ninety-two percent of every dollar donated goes towards our three program areas: meal service, clothing closet, and church service (on hiatus due to Covid). The grant from High Plains Region grant was used cover the cost of the meals and to augment the clothing donations with additional clothes. toiletries, etc. for the clothing closet. Nine High Plains Range Region churches rotate once a month at St. Clare's Ministries to volunteer to cook or serve the meal and man the clothing closet. They have helped serve 2,784 meals by 427 volunteers in 1,326 volunteer hours in 2022 through August 2022. Beginning in 2012 through August 2022, St. Clare's has served over 71,200 meals to the homeless and working poor of the Baker Neighborhood. Since 2017, St. Clare's Ministries has given out 984 sleeping bags and 1,284 blankets in addition to ieans, shoes, shirts, sweatshirts, coats, hats, gloves, socks, underwear, and toiletries from our clothing closet to the homeless men and women. St. Clare's Ministries adopted the Policy for the Protection of Vulnerable Adults and Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth in 2022. St. Clare's is in desperate need of used clothing donations for the clothing closet. We need clean gently used men's and women's clothes, jeans, sweatshirts, shoes, coats, hats, towels, blankets and sleeping bags. We are open to receive donations of clothing etc. on Tuesday's afternoons from 3 PM to 6:30 PM. Attached are two photographs of our facility before our guests arrive. Thank you again for all you do for St. Clare's Ministries.

Blessings,

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Enclosure